

# 3rd Sunday of Lent

*"While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well." (Jn 2: 23-25)*



## The Seton Sentinel

March 7, 2021

# SETON SENTINEL

## LENTEN SERVICES AND DEVOTIONS

Opportunity for individual confessions and prayer on Monday evenings during Lent, beginning Feb 22nd. Reconciliation from 6–7 in the sacristy. (Time will be expanded as we get closer to Easter) and Church open for private prayer, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the left side of the church only during this time. Please sit in the furthest left bank of pews for adoration so as not to be distracted by the traffic to and from the sacristy.

You may also request confession at anytime by calling the office and arranging for a time with Father Joe. Because of the pandemic we are only able to offer confession face-to-face.

## FRIDAY STATIONS AND BENEDICTION

On Fridays during Lent, we will welcome everyone for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 6:30–7:00 pm followed by Benediction and Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm. You may sit throughout the church on Fridays.

## Blessing of the Easter Baskets

We will announce the location of the Easter Basket Blessing as we get closer to Easter. It needs to be outside for safety reasons and the weather, of course, must be cooperative for whatever we decided. Plan on 2:00 pm on Saturday, April 3rd, at a location to be announced.

## Lent/Holy Week and Easter

While we know that many parishes are using the reservation system for seating during this season and especially for Holy Week and Easter, we'll keep the policy of "first come, first seated," and once we have reached our capacity we'll ask you to come back at another time. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. Church will be open 1/2 hour before services, no earlier.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our HNS will meet today, Sunday, March 7th, after the 9:00am Mass. New members are welcome. Also, please see Page 4 of this bulletin for our Easter Egg Hunt announcement.

## ALTAR GUILD FUNDRAISERS

**PLEASE NOTE: FISH DINNER IS \$10.00, NOT \$12.00 (so sorry, there is an error on the form that was mailed home)**

Please note the pick up time for our **FISH DINNER** on Friday, March 26th is **3-5:30pm**, and cost is **\$10.00** per Fish Dinner. The pick up time for the **Ethnic Platters** on Sunday, April 18th, is **12 noon to 3pm**, and cost is **\$12.00** per Ethnic Platter.

## LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE



### Fasting

Ash Wednesday  
Good Friday

Ages 18-59

### Abstinence

Every Friday  
during Lent

Ages 14+

### How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

### Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the **physically or mentally ill** including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as **diabetes**. Also excluded are **pregnant or nursing women**.

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit [uscbb.org](http://uscbb.org).





THANK YOU FROM FATHER JOE

Words cannot express my deepest gratitude to all of my dear parishioners and dear friends for all of the mass cards, food and dessert trays, bagel & gift baskets, monetary gifts, donations, and all of the tremendous love & support I have received during this difficult time, the loss of my dear Mom, Jean Pisaneschi. She was truly a very loving Mom and friend to all. We will miss her immensely. Please know that my family and I are very grateful and touched by your kindness and love to us.

May God bless you all. *Father Joe*

**LEMON-BUTTERED BAKED HADDOCK** **ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON ALTAR GUILD FISH DINNER ORDER FORM \$10.00 EACH** **\$10.00 EACH**  
*Baked potato, green beans, COLE SLAW* **SALE DATE IS FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 2021**  
**ORDERS DUE BY WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17TH**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
QUANTITY: # of FISH Dinners @\$10 EACH: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:\$ \_\_\_\_\_

PICK-UPS ARE IN SCHOOL CAFETERIA: SOCIAL DISTANCING & MASKS ARE REQUIRED  
**Pick up time: 3:00pm to 5:30pm**

Make check/money order payable to: *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish*  
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**ETHNIC PLATTER: 3 PIEROGIES, 2 PIGGIES, HALUSKI, ROLL/BUTTER & DESSERT** **ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON ALTAR GUILD ETHNIC PLATTER ORDER FORM \$12.00 EACH**  
**SALE DATE IS SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021**  
**ORDERS DUE BY FRIDAY, APRIL 9TH**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
QUANTITY: # of Ethnic Platter Dinners @\$12 EACH: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:\$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## PARISH OFFERINGS

Our Parish remains open and operating solely through your generosity. We cannot thank you enough for all that you do for us through the year, especially during the pandemic. If you can continue to remember your envelopes and get them to us each week we can continue our mission together. If you are comfortable, you may use the electronic offering option located at setonpa.com Look for the following link and follow the instructions:



Collection total for the week of

**February 20/21, 2021 \$8638.53**

Feb. Building & Maintenance: \$1253.00

Ash Wednesday: \$1271.00

Once again, thank you to all those who drop offerings in the church basket, mail them, slip them in the rectory door, use the electronic giving option, or get your donations to us in any other way.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Due to the Covid virus, the Holy Name Society cannot have their traditional Easter Egg Hunt, but we will still be giving out baskets. This is open to the children of our parish ages 1 to 8 years old. The baskets will be distributed to the children on Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> in our church hall. Children whose Last names begin with letter A-L will pick up from 1:00-2:00pm, and those whose last names begin with M-Z will pick up from 2:30-3:30pm.

***Quantities are limited. You must register*** your child by providing **Name, Phone, Age, Boy or Girl**, **before March 20<sup>th</sup>** by calling one of our following members:

Gloria Mizenko at 570-287-7868

Marie Stefanides at 570-885-1471 (call or text), or

Anna Mae Venetz at 570-287-7655.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES

***In person classes have resumed.*** Any questions, please call Sister Marion at 570-287-6624, extension 116.

### RELIGIOUS ED UPDATES:

Rescheduled Sacramental Meetings

**Sunday, March 7th**, 6:15pm church hall—  
8th Grade Confirmation Parent meeting

**Sunday, March 14th**, 6:15pm church hall—  
2nd Grade 1st Holy Communion Parent meeting

**Sunday, March 21st**, 6:15pm church hall—  
7th Grade Confirmation Parent meeting

PENANCE (Dates remain the same)

3rd Grade: Saturday, April 10th at 10:00am

2nd Grade: Saturday, April 17th at 10:00am

***Please note change of dates and location for the following: (in keeping with CDD guidelines)***

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

2nd and 3rd Grades together:

Saturday, May 22nd at 11:00am

At our Forty Fort field\* Wyoming Ave. (under tent)

### CONFIRMATION

8th and 9th Grades together:

Sunday, May 23rd at 11:00am

At our Forty Fort field\* Wyoming Ave. (under tent)

***\*Our field is located between Hugh B. Hughes Funeral Home and Carpenter Dental.***

### CANCELLED

Both the Communion Retreat and Confirmation Retreat have been cancelled.

### 40 Days for LIFE Pro-Life Rosary Gathering

Feb. 17 until March 26th, offered for the special intentions of ending abortion & closure of Planned Parenthood location in Wilkes-Barre; Rosary is prayed each weekday, Mon-Fri at 10am in front of the offices of Planned Parenthood, 101 N. Main St, Wilkes-Barre, across from King's College. Pro-life campaign draws attention to the evil of abortion through prayer & fasting, constant vigil, & community outreach.

## EUCHARIST SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

### Monday, March 8

6:30 am Mary Ruth Schraml

Roy & Joanne Baker

### Tuesday, March 9

8:00 am Stephen Hudack

Wife, Eleanor

### Wednesday, March 10

8:00am James Mulcahy

Jerry & Jeanne Mulcahy

### Thursday, March 11

6:30 am Joseph Marcin

Children

### Friday, March 12

6:30 am John W. Gibbons

Sister, Pat Quinn & Family

### Saturday, March 13

5:00 pm Joseph Danowski

Wife & Family

### Sunday, March 14

7:00 am **Pro Populo**

9:00 am Natalie Zyla

Slezak Family

11:00 am Enrica & Giuseppe Torregrossa

Steve & Maria Englot

5:30 pm Father Joseph Banick

Cousins, Theresa & Susan

***The 5:00 pm Saturday Mass is Livestreamed on Facebook.com/Setonpa or available anytime there after and on our website: setonpa.com***



**IN DYING THAT WE ARE BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE.....**

*~~Jean Marie Pisaneschi~~*

May the Lord grant her Eternal Rest. Amen.



### **This Week's Sanctuary Candles**

1. In Memory of Robert Rish offered by wife, Gerry
2. In Memory of Joseph Yankay offered by Mother

### **BAPTISM SUNDAY**

This weekend our parish celebrates the Baptism of:

*~~Natasha Naomi Kuren~~*

Natasha will be baptized by water and the Holy Spirit after the 11:00am Mass today.

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- Margaret Semanek, Director of Liturgical Music
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- Cora Artim, Youth Choir Director
- Scott Coates, 5:30 PM Mass Musician

## Sacristans

- Christopher Calore    x 133
- Patricia Quinn
- Betsy Evanski

## Maintenance and Cleaning

- Christopher Calore, Director of Maintenance  
X 133
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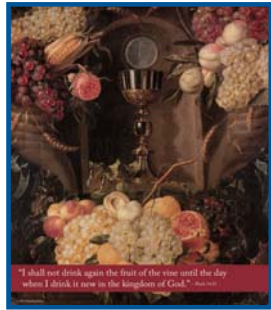
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